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Wilhelm Gruissem, et al.

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RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF APPLICATION WITH FEE AUTHORIZATION

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Sir:

This is in response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application mailed September 21, 1998 in the above-referenced application. A Petition for a Two-Month Extension of Time with the appropriate fee accompanies this response. With the extension of time a response is due by January 21, 1999.

Enclosed to be made of record in the above-referenced application is the fully executed Declaration of inventors Wilhelm Gruissem, John Jelesko and Masaki Furuya in three counterparts. Further enclosed is the requisite copy of Form PTO-1533.

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The Assistant Commissioner for Patents is hereby authorized to charge the surcharge of \$130.00, the statutory basic filing fee of \$760.00 and extra claims fees of \$510.00 (31 claims, 4 of which are independent) to Deposit Account No. 20-1430. The Assistant Commissioner for Patents is further authorized to charge any additional fees remaining or credit any overpayment in this application to the foregoing deposit account. This authorization is submitted in triplicate.

Respectfully submitted,

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